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U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/741,535 for "Conjugated Diene

Polymers and Copolymer Blocks and Process for Preparing Same"

Inventor(s): Carl L. Willis

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Dear Sir:

Please find the following enclosed documents:

1. Response to Restriction Requirement Mailed December 12, 2005.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge and credit KRATON Polymers U.S. LLC Deposit Account No. 50-1951 for the fees necessitated with the filing of this correspondence.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT MAILED DECEMBER 12, 2005

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In response to the restriction requirement mailed December 12, 2005, having a statutory period for response set to expire on January 12, 2005, Applicants elect claims 1 - 17, drawn to a method of making polymers, classified in class 526, subclass 335. Although no fee is believed to be due in conjunction with filing this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credits any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1951 (KPR-TH-1552US).

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